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Site Name: Sauget Area Site City: 5#IL Cnty: St. Clair State: IL
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Site Status: (1) _ NPL _ Non-NPL _ RCRA _ Non-Site specific _ Federal (2) _ Emergency Response _ Remedial _ Other:
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Health Assessment

Narrative Summary:

The EPA-Region 5 provided ATSDR with data and information on the Sauget Area 1 - Site G and Sauget Area 2 - Site Q. The EPA specifically asked us to recommend soil cleanup levels for polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) and 2,3,7,8-tetrachloro-p-dibenzodioxin (dioxin) at the sites.

Site G and Site Q are landfilled areas where municipal and industrial wastes were previously disposed. At Site G, high concentrations of PCBs (15,000 ppm) and dioxin (TCDD equivalents - 138 ppb) were detected in surface soil samples. Other organochlorine contaminants identified in surface soil samples include pentachlorophenol, 2,4,6-

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trichlorophenol, and 2,4-dichlorophenol. In 1994, the local fire department was called to the site four times to extinguish fires that presumably resulted from spontaneous combustion. Dioxin can be a trace contaminant of pentachlorophenol and other chlorinated phenols, or it can arise during the incineration of organochlorine compounds.

At site Q, 55-gallon drums were observed protruding from the soil at several locations. Samples of material from the drums contained high concentrations of PCBs (230,000 ppm), as well as other chlorinated phenolic compounds.

The land near the sites is highly industrialized. Site G is fenced, and the nearest residences (mobile homes) are about 250-300 feet topographically up-gradient of the site. Site Q occupies 90 acres and is not fenced. The nearest private residences are 1-1.5 miles from Site Q.

Discussion/Recommendations:

Sites G and Q are expected to remain industrial. Access by nearby residents, including children, is expected to be minimal.

For industrial use land, the EPA has recommended a soil action level for PCBs in the range of 10-25 ppm. Because of the limited opportunity for chronic exposure to contaminated soil at these sites, a cleanup level in the upper end of this range would be protective of public health.

For industrial use land where contact with contaminated soil is limited, ATSDR has previously concurred with 20 ppb as a soil concentration of dioxin (TCDD equivalents) that is protective of public health.

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